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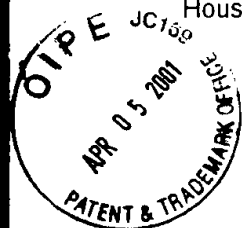
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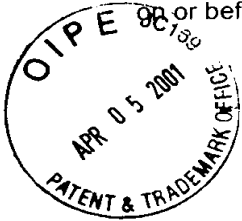
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Serial No. 09/758,899 )  
Filed January 11, 2001 )  
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GAS/LIQUID CONTACTING COLUMN )  
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Please charge the \$130 fee to Shell Oil Company, Deposit Account No. 19-1800.

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